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BOX PATENT APPLICATION
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Re: Application of Yoshitsugu ARAKI and Takanori MAEDA
MULTILAYER OPTICAL RECORDING MEDIUM AND RECORDING
METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR THE SAME
Assignee: PIONEER CORPORATION
Our Ref. Q64550

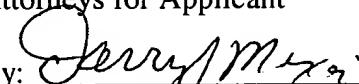
Dear Sir:

Attached hereto is the application identified above including twenty (20) sheets of the specification, including the claims and abstract, and four (4) sheets of drawings. **The requisite U.S. Government Filing Fee, executed Declaration and Power of Attorney and Assignment will be submitted at a later date.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	12	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	3	-	3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$710.00
TOTAL FEE								\$710.00	

Priority is claimed from May 24, 2000 based on Japanese Application No. 2000-152272. The priority document will be filed at a later date.

Respectfully submitted,
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